(a) the number of villages and irrigation pumps energised in Madhya Pradesh during 1990-91 and the number of villages yet to be electrified;

(b) whether the Madhya Pradesh State Electricity Board has the capacity to electrify about 4000 new villages and energise 1,00,000 irrigation pumps per year;

(c) if so, whether sufficient funds have been provided for it;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) whether the Union Government propose to provide sufficient funds in conforming with the demand to electrify in that State for these purposes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a). According to available information, during 1990-91 in Madhya Pradesh, 2980 villages were electrified and 85,500 pumpsets were energised. Based on 1981 Census, 8165 villages in the State remain to be electrified.

(b) Madhya Pradesh State Electricity Board had achieved electrification of more than 4,000 villages and 1,00,000 pumpsets in a year in the past.

(c) to (e). For the year 1991-92, an allocation of Rs. 119.35 crores has been made for electrification of 1620 villages and energisation of 64,250 pumpsets under REC programme in Madhya Pradesh. The annual outlay for the programme is decided by the Planning Commission based on the overall availability of resources.

Power Generation in Kerala

5343. SHRI THAYIL JOHN ANJALOSE: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state the quantum of power generation in Kerala in the last three years and the reasons for low power generation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALPNATH RAI): The energy generation programme vis-a-vis actual generation in Kerala during the year 1988-89, 1989-90 and 1990-91 is as under:-

(Figs. in MU)

	Programme	Actual	% Programme
1988-89	4300	4553	105.6
1989-90	4622	5068	109.6
1990-91	5205	5494	105.6

Conversion of Madras-Madurai Section

5344. SHRIMATI BASAVARAJESWARI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any scheme to convert the metre gauge line from Madras to Madurai into broad-guage;

(b) if so, the estimated cost thereof; and

(c) if not, the reason therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Constraints of resources.